



CHIP Program Reopens to Provide Energy Efficiency Grants to Commercial/Industrial Sector

Conserving Hoosier Industrial Power Program Aimed At Large Efficiency Upgrades

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(Indianapolis) – Lt. Governor Becky Skillman has announced a new round of funding for Indiana commercial or industrial facilities planning energy efficiency upgrades to existing facilities. The Conserving Hoosier Industrial Power (CHIP) program provides grants from \$100,000 to \$500,000 to help pay for large-scale energy efficiency upgrades or retrofits. CHIP uses federal funds administered by the Indiana Office of Energy Development.

“The CHIP program takes the issue of energy efficiency directly to where the most energy is being consumed,” said Lt. Governor Skillman. “All Hoosiers will benefit if our commercial and industrial sectors use energy more economically.”

In order to be considered for a CHIP grant, the proposed project must be located in Indiana, and demonstrate measurable improvements in energy efficiency, result in a reduction in energy demand, or implement an energy recycling process. Eligible project technologies include: lighting, lighting controls/sensors, chillers, furnaces, boilers, heat pumps, building insulation, windows, doors, energy management systems/controls, energy efficient compressed air, pumps and motors.

CHIP is a competitive grant program, with applications being accepted between August 25, 2011 and September 23, 2011. While no local cost match is required, applicants may use leveraged funds to complete project funding. Program Guidelines and access to the online grant application system are available at <http://www.energy.in.gov>.

The first round of CHIP funding was completed in 2010. In the first round, 11 companies divided \$2.2 million for energy efficiency projects upgrades or retrofits. Both rounds of CHIP grants have been funded through the American Reinvestment and Recovery Act of 2009 (ARRA).

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The Office of Energy Development (OED) was created in December 2005 as an extension of the Indiana energy office. Under the leadership of Lt. Governor Becky Skillman, OED is responsible for the state’s energy policy. For more information visit www.energy.in.gov or follow OED on twitter, IndianaEnergy.

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